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Nigeria, West Africa.
SPAKK
Overwatch down. We're in position. Advise.
Full sweep. We have clearance. Recover anything they have. No survivors.
Sweep and recover. Move in.

UKK!
SPAKK

Gov'ment wants our prize, yeah?

They should have trained you to be quieter.

BRATTABRATTABRATTABRATTA
ANGH!

BLAM
Nothing left to do but hide your bodies, Gov'ment.
BRATTABRATTABRATTABRATTA
BOOM
BRATTABRATTABRATTABRATTA
BRATTABRATTABRATTA

BRATTABRATTABRATTABRATTABRATTABRATTABRATTABRATTABRATTABRATTA
That's it. They're done.
CLICK
Unlucky day, mate.
Only for you, merc.

KRAKK
AAGHH!
Was it worth the check now?

Gareth, report! Dammit, Gareth! Give me chatter!
AAAAAAGH!
How did you...?

No-- wait!
KRAKOOM
Two left.

BLAM
Adi here. Team...cut down... Just me... Mercs down.
Copy.
Recover the cargo. Sorry about your men, Adi.
All that matters is the mission.

The cargo... I...I see... it.
Command? Command, do you read?
Command?
‹You have the blood for the vessel.›

‹You will do.›
AAAAAAAAHH!
VMMMMM

Wakanda.
She's been doing this for thirty days.
She said she can prevent the *dark vibranium* from escalating.
We're keeping her hydrated. Watching her vitals. Providing nutrients.
But she cannot do this forever, Shuri.
No, brother. She cannot.
Inan gave us a path...

"...so walk the path, we shall."
You want me to... *what?*
Okoye will help you, Erik. Shuri is too rash. You're dubious of...everything, but you also have control of your emotions.
I can't be you, T'Challa. I can't lead these people.
I'm not asking you to be me. Or to be king.
I'm asking you to be my ***general.*** For the moment. Until we find a solution to dark vibranium.
I'll go hunt Inan's artifacts. Bring you whatever knowledge you need.
Whatever lives inside that vibranium is woven into me now. I won't put you in a position where that happens to you.
I cannot force you. But I am ***asking*** you.
Kings don't ask, T'Challa.

Take Ororo with you.
You've only seen a fraction of what she can do. And I suspect you'll need her sooner than later.
She looks at me like I've stolen something from her.
She doesn't like authority. And this place...is nothing but authority and tradition, and you all walk around stoic like you'd get kicked off the world for laughing.
She'll warm up.
Listen to your general.
Thank you.
You better come back before I get used to it. I might make some changes around here.
And you'll get to endure Shuri's personality when you do.
"We kept this with the Vodu-Khan for generations."

I never expected it to be worn again.
There's no vibranium in it. Right now, this is the only suit I can trust. Even Black Panther can play acoustic.
You know more about this than you're telling me, Imala.
But I know less than can be of assistance. My silence is better for you. I wish not to fill your mind with conjecture.
You'd rather just *conjure*.
Stop.
You should have your solitude when you find your relationship with that, my king.
And T'Challa...
The ***Vodu-Khan*** have ***fealty*** to destiny. And we will use ***secrecy*** at our discretion.
But Wakanda and its king have our ***loyaty***, even if neither understands our ways.

May Wakanda endure forever.
Forefathers, bear witness to me. Our kingdom is at stake.
Protect Wakanda.
Mother Bast. Bear witness. Bless the days ahead. Let me not walk into darkness alone.

Nigeria.
You lost contact with your man? How?
Adi is the best of us. We will find him, American.
Let's hope *he* found that cargo, General.
American fiscal support is based on results. Not your opinion of your soldiers.
SHRRAAAAKKKKK

Something hit us! Crash protocols! Throwing the canopy!
KSSH
K-TS
SSH
What the hell hit us?!
THOOM

American. Stay here. Where you are safe.
FFSSHHH
Oh my god!
...Help... need help...
‹You do not have the blood to be the vessel.›

‹But you will do for a short time.›
‹Receive us.›
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